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PROSPECTUS BE it known that I, the subscriber ob-tained letters patent in December, 1851, for an apparatus for the destructive distillation of wood, and the making therefrom of tar or pitch at "WASHINGTON SENTINEL."

PROPOSE to publish in the city of Washington, in September, a political newspaper, unrithe name of the WASHINGTON SENTIpleasure, and gas; and that in the judgment of competent persons the invention of an appar-tus recently patented by W. D. Porter cannot be tus recently patented by W. D. Porter cannot be used by him or any other person without infringing my said patent. And, further, that what is patented by said Porter rightfully belongs to me, as I expect to prove ere long before the United States Patent Office; and, further, that the use of said Porter's invention involves also a process which I am now claiming before the United States Patent Office, and which has been adjudged to be patentable to the first inventor thereof, and which said W.D. Porter has formally disclaimed, as appears upon the public records of said office, of which an official copy is hereto annexed, and also a copy of his claims. In doing so, it is proper 1 should make known the principles it will maintain, and the policy it will advocate.

It will support cordially and carnestly the principles of the Democratic party of the United States it does not propose to be the organ of any Department of the Government, except in so far as an independent maintenance of the doctrings of that

which an official copy is hereto annexed, and also a copy of his claims.

In the National Intelligencer of the 25th instant Mr. Porter announces that he has secured by patent the "exclusive right to making gas from wood," and threatens presecution to all parties infringing his patent. I ask how this statement comports with the fact of my patent of December, 1851, and how far the threat can intimidate under such circumstances? Mr. Porter's claim is based upon a movable perforated diaphragm, and was so understood by the Patent Office, as it appears from the records of the Patent Office that his claim was at first refused as interfering with a organ of the Democratic party of the United States. The SENTINEL will maintain, as a fundament

truth of that great party, that the States formed the Union between them by the ratification of the Cou claim was at first refused as interfering with a prior patent to Robert Foulis, of Canada, for an equivalent contrivance. This claim, as given bestitution as a compact; by which also, they create the Federal Government and delegated to the their common agent, the powers expression equivalent contrivance. This claim, as given below, and in which the perforated diaphragm is the saving clause, is what Mr. Porter calls securing the "exclusive right to making gas from wood." The statement carries absurdity on its front, and is a libel on the good sense of the Patent Office If such a claim or right had been granted, it would fall the present of the patent of t specified in it, with an explicit reservation of all others to the States, or to their separate governments. The exercise of any powers beyond these thus delegated, is, therefore, an usurpation of the reserved authority of the States by the agent of their own creation.

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upon the basis of the rights of the States—under the Constitution—and thus by sedulously guarding The following copies of correspondence and extracts from the records of the Patent Office will the latter, it will the more effectually strengthe and perpetuate the former.

With regard to the exercise of the powers of the August 25, 1854.

Sir. In reply to your letter of this date, asking "if any patent has been granted to W. D. Porter, dated 22d August, 1854, or at any other time, or to any other beautiful and other time. Federal Government, the SENTISEL will take as the principles of its action, that Congress shall exercis no power which has not been delegated by the C. astilution, according to a strict and fair in the C. astilition, according to a strict and fair in-terpret tion of its language and spirit; and that it shall me seek to attain indirectly an object through the exer ise of constitutional power, for the direct attainme t of which it has no delegation of power. In other words, all powers exercised must be clearly gratted, and all granted powers must be used for no surpose, except such as is clearly in-tended by the Constitution. dated 22d August, 1834, or at any other time, or to any other person or persons, securing to him or them "the exclusive right of making gas from wood," and whether any such claim was made by W. D. Porter, under his application for a patent, which letters patent were issued bearing the above date, you are informed that W. D. Porter's claims are believed to be c nfined to his apparation.

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The SENTINEL will advocate such a progressive which application letters patent were issued to the said W. D. Porter on the 22d day of August, oreign policy as will suit itself to the exigencies, and correspond with the expanding interests of the country. That policy should be energetic and decided; but should temper firmness with liberality, ighteen hundred and fifty-four. In testimony whereof, I. Charles Mason, Com-missioner of Patents, have caused the seal and make its highest ends consist with the strictest principles of justice. The real interests of the country, upon each occasion demanding attention of the Patent Office to be hereunto affixed

[L. s.] this 25th day of August, in the year of our
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States the seventy-ninth. C. Mason. will be its guide in the course the SENTINEL wil

tion for "an improved still for making toood gas," filed August 5, 1854. Letters patent issued August 25, 1854. Copy of disclaimer of W. D. Porter in his applica

Our settled determination to repel interference from abroad with our domestic concerns, wil prompt us to avoid it in the affairs of other coun therefrom to a high degree of heat, substantially as has been described and for the purposes set forth in the specification of W. P. McConnell." tries, unless by their foreign or colonial policy our peace should be threatened, our security endan gered, or our interests invaded. For when the selfish interests of other nations prompt a foreign or colonial policy which infringes upon our rights, and places in the pathway of our commerce a dangerous and unfriendly rival, such a policy must from the records of this office of an extract from the specification of W. D. Porter's patent, issued be resisted by remonstrance, and, if need be, by in the twenty second day of August, eighteen hundred and fifty-four. In testimony whereof, I, Charles Mason, Com-

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C. Mason. eight hundred and fifty-four, and of the independence of the United States the seventy-ninth.

Extract from Specification of W. D. Porter on a greater stake in the world and its destroy, than every other people. We occupy the best portion of a continent, with no neighbors but a colony, and a worn-out, anarchical despotism. We are the sire to secure by letters patent is:

"The construction of a gas apparatus or still, consisting of a metallic or other cylinder B, the cones E and D, diaphram plate C, and exit pipe F, substantially as described in the foregoing spetral productions are more draw. human progress—our mineral and manufacturing resources more vast—our facilities and capacity for The truth of the above may be ascertained from the records of the Patent Office, to which all have access.

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